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SUBJ: PUERTO RICO IN UNGA: CHINESE VIEWS

REFS: A) USUN 3052 B) USUN 3054

1. UN SECRETARIAT OFFICIAL (WATHEN) SPECIALIZING IN COLONIAL AFFAIRS, WHO IS AMERICAN CITIZEN, TOLD AMB. WHITE & MISOFF NOV. 13 THAT FOLLOWING LAST SUMMER'S COMMITTEE OF 24 DEBATE AND PASSAGE OF US-OPPOSED RESOLUTION ON PUERTO RICO, PRO-PRC CHINESE OFFICIALS IN SECRETARIAT ON SEVERAL OCCASIONS MADE POINT WITH HIM THAT PRC UNHAPPY WITH COMMITTEE'S INVOLVEMENT IN PUERTO RICO. WATHEN ADDED CHINESE HAVE BLAMED CUBANS, "WITH STRONG BACKING FROM SOVIETS," FOR PUSHING PUERTO RICAN ISSUE.

2. COMMENT: PRC TOOK NO PART IN COMMITTEE OF 24 DEBATE ON PUERTO RICO THIS YEAR, ALTHOUGH IT VOTED IN FAVOR OF RESOLUTION CRITICAL OF US. WE FIND IT INTERESTING THAT CHINESE SECRETARIAT OFFICIALS APPARENTLY TRYING TO BLAME USSR FOR PUSHING THIS ISSUE. AS WE REPORTED IN REFTTEL B, SOVIETS DID NOT ACTIVELY SUPPORT CUBAN EFFORTS TO EMBARRASS US ON PUERTO RICO IN
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